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FM AMEMBASSY BRASILIA

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AMCONSUL RIO DE JANEIRO

AMCONSUL SAO PAULO

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DEPT PASS TO BAGHDAD

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ETRD, BR, IZ

SUBJECT: IRAQ: ECONOMIC MISSION TO BRAZIL

1. MUGIB AL-TAE, IRAG'S VICE-MINISTER FOR INDUSTRY AND MINERALS,  
VISITED BRAZIL IN LATE APRIL AT THE HEAD OF A MISSION TO FURTHER IRAQ  
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BRAZILIAN ECONOMIC COOPERATION. THE MISSION MADE  
SEVERAL BUSINESS CONTACTS IN SAO PAULO, RIO DE JANEIRO,  
AND RIO GRANDE DO SUL, IN BRASILIA THE MISSION MET WITH  
THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND COMMERCS,  
AND REPRESENTATIVES OF PETRBBRAS' INTERNATIONAL SUBSIDIARY --  
BRASPETRO, THE BANCO DO BRASIL, BRAZILIAN COFFEE INSTITUTE,  
SUGAR INSTITUTE, NATIONAL FOREIGN TRADE COUNCIL, AS WELL  
AS REPRESENTATIVES OF INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL FEDERATIONS.  
DURING THIS MEETING, A LIST OF POTENTIAL EXPORTABLE BRAZILIAN  
PRODUCTS WAS SUBMITTED TO THE IRAQIS, THE MISSION ALSO  
CALLED UPON PLANNING MINISTER VELLOFO AND THE PRESIDENT  
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OF THE NATIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BANK.

2. AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF ONE OF BRAZIL'S MAJOR PETROLEUM SUPPLIERS, THE VICE-MINISTER REPORTEDLY ASSURED THE BRAZILIANS OF CONTINUED OIL SUPPLY AND EXPRESSED THE WILLINGNESS OF

HIS GOVERNMENT TO EXCHANGE OIL FOR AN INCREASING NUMBER OF BRAZILIAN PRODUCTS. AT A PRESS CONFERENCE, MUHIB AL-TAE SAID THAT IRAQ SELECTED BRAZIL AS ONE OF THE SUPPLIERS OF "KNOW-HOW" FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF HIS COUNTRY IN RETURN FOR THE SUPPORT PROVIDED BY THE GOB LO IRAQ BY PURCHASING ITS NATIONALIZED OIL.

THE BRAZILIAN PRESS REPORTED THAT, AS A RESULT OF THE VISIT, VOLKSWAGEN DO BRAZIL WILL SOON SET UP A PLANT IN IRAQ TO ASSEMBLE 50,000 CARS PER YEAR. ADDITIONALLY, THE PRESS SAID THAT THE GOB-OWNED MINING COMPANY, CVRD, WILL SIGN A CONTRACT TO SUPPLY IRAQ ONE MILLION TONS OF IRON ORE BEGINNING IN 1977, AND TWICE AS MUCH IN SUBSEQUENT YEARS. ACCORDING TO THE PRESS, THE MISSION EXPRESSED INTEREST IN PURCHASING SUGAR, BAUXITE, SOYBEANS, SELECTED MANUFACTURED PRODUCTS, AND ACQUIRING TECHNOLOGY ON AUTOMOBILE, STEEL, SUGAR REFINING AND HEAVY INDUSTRIES BY HAVING BRAZILIAN COMPANIES OPERATE IN IRAQ. BI-NATIONAL COMPANIES WERE NO INCLUDED IN THE NEGOTIATIONS BECAUSE OF IRAQI OPPOSITION TO THIS TYPE OF VENTURE.  
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